

WHAT'S NEW IN GYNAECOLOGIC ONCOLOGY

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SUMMARY

- ***Endometrial Cancer***
 - Sentinel Nodes
- ***Cervical Cancer***
 - Screening
 - Laparoscopy/Minimally invasive surgery
- ***Ovarian Cancer***
 - *ECHO trial*
 - *IMAGE trial*
- ***Vulvar Cancer***
- ***Gestational Trophoblastic Disease***
 - Bhcg to be performed for abnormal bleeding

STATISTICS

- 6000 Australian women diagnosed with Gynaecologic malignancy each year
- 1769 Australian women die of their disease each year
- 10% of all new female cancer cases diagnosed
- 8% of all female cancer deaths

QCGC

- Provides optimal care for women with gynaecologic cancer
- Centralized statewide service for women (Established 1994)
- 10 Certified Gynaecologic Oncologists (CGO)
- 10 Locations
 - RBWH, Mater, Gold Coast (public)
 - Wesley, Greenslopes, St Andrews, Mater, Pindarra (private)
 - Sunshine Coast, Toowoomba (private)
- 2 satellite services – Townsville and Darwin

QCGC

- Pre-invasive disease of Cervix, Vagina and Vulva
- Cancers of the uterus, tubes, ovaries, cervix, vagina and vulva
- Gestational Trophoblastic Disease
- Risk reducing surgery for those with Hereditary Cancers
- Complicated benign gynaecology
- Obstetric haemorrhage

REFERRALS

- New referral form developed
- Available at Forms Online on RBWH intranet
- Single Page
- Attach **ALL** relevant information
- Attach letter if complicated patient

TRIAL

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS BINDING MARGIN

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All clinical information and amendments must be conducted through Health Information Services

Queensland Government
Royal Brisbane & Women's Hospital
QUEENSLAND CENTRE FOR GYNAECOLOGICAL CANCER (QCGC) REFERRAL

(Attach patient identification label here or write details below)
Hospital URN (if applicable): _____
Family name: _____
Given names: _____
Date of birth: _____ Sex: M F I
Address: _____
Phone - Home: _____ Work: _____
Mobile: _____
Email address: _____
Medicare No: _____ Ref No: _____
Please confirm that this referral has been discussed with the patient, and that she is aware the QCGC will contact her: Yes
Ethnicity: _____
Is an interpreter required? Yes No
If Yes, specify language: _____
Clinical question:
Advice only Yes No
Take over care Yes No
Location of surgery Local QCGC/Brisbane

Referring Consultant Details
Date of referral: ____/____/____
Consultant name: _____
Referring hospital: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
GP Details
GP name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

Presenting complaint: (for complex patients please attach a detailed referral letter)

Previous medical history: _____ Previous surgical history: _____

Medications (list all current): _____
Patient on anticoagulants? Yes No If yes, drug name: _____
Has patient been advised to cease anticoagulants? Yes No If yes, what date: ____/____/____

Allergies (list all allergies and reactions): _____

Obstetric history:
Parity: _____ Mode of delivery: _____ Further fertility desired: Yes No NA

Cancer type and investigations - please attach a copy of all histology, imaging and laboratory results. A referral will not be accepted if this form is incomplete:

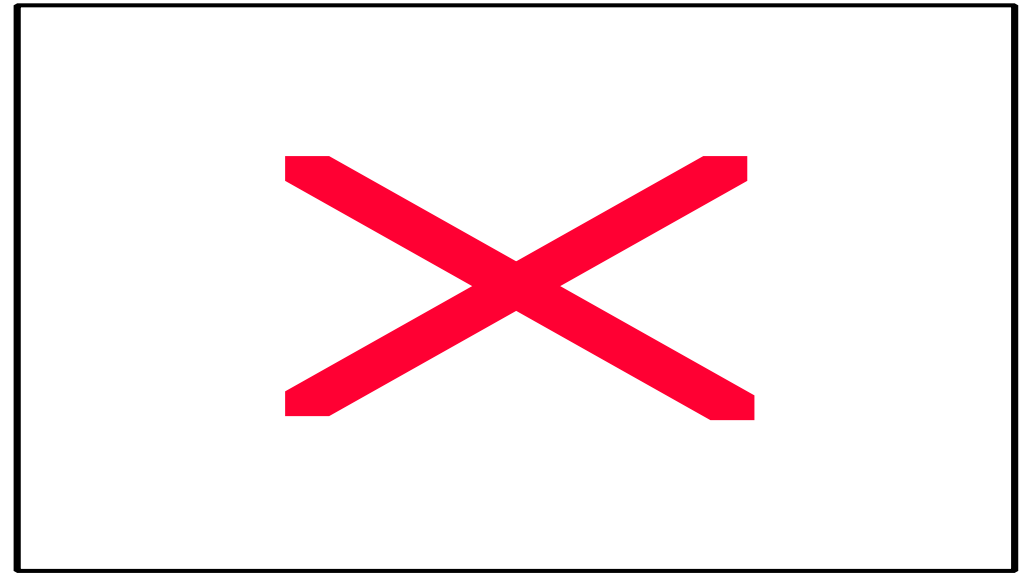
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Print name: _____ Designation: _____ Sgn: _____ Date: ____/____/____

QLD CENTRE FOR GYNAECOLOGICAL CANCER (QCGC) REFERRAL

ENDOMETRIAL CANCER

- Most common gynaecologic malignancy - 2963 women will be diagnosed this year
- Lifetime Risk ~3%
- Treatment
 - Surgery (TLH, BSO, +/- nodes)
 - Progesterone Therapy (Mirena, Oral)
- Lymphadenectomy
 - Routine
 - Selective
 - Sentinel nodes



SENTINEL NODES

- Remove the first node that lymphatic channels drain to
- Technique utilized in vulval surgery – patent blue dye and Technetium*
- Becoming more widely used in endometrial cancer
- Advantages - less lymphoedema risk, increased pick up of micro-metastases
- Disadvantages – learning curve for injection technique
- Near Infra-Red Camera required
- Use Indigocyanine Green (ICG) dye (1ml superficial and 1ml deep)

EVIDENCE

- **FIRES Study**

- Multi-centre, prospective cohort trial
- Clinical Stage I disease
- SLN followed by full pelvic LND (+/- para-aortic nodes)
- 385 women enrolled
- 86% successful mapping of at least one SLN
- 97.2% sensitivity
- NPV 99.6%
- **False negative rate of 3%**
- **Acceptable accuracy, reduced morbidity**
 - *Lancet Oncol. 2017 Mar;18(3):384-392*

LOGISTICS

- ***Where to inject the dye?***
 - Cervical
 - Subserosal/Fundal
 - Hysteroscopic
 - **Increased detection rate if injected to cervix**
- **Where do the LN map to?**
 - ***Inter-iliac***
 - ***Obturator***
 - Pre-Sacral
 - Common iliac and para-aortic

DYES AVAILABLE

- ***Sentinel Blue (74%)***
 - Stains tissue blue, “blurs” tissue planes

- ***Technetium 99***
 - Requires laparoscopic Geiger counter
 - Relies on other staff to activate machine

- ***Indigo-Cyanine Green (ICG) (96%)***
 - Doesn't stain tissue

ICG has similar rates of overall detection and bilateral detection of sentinel nodes

Ruscito et al. [Ann Surg Oncol](#). 2016 Oct;23(11):3749-3756

ICG

- Excreted in bile
- Absorption 600-900nm, emits fluorescence at 750-950nm
- Applications for use
 - Colorectal surgery to assess viability of anastomosis
 - Plastic Surgery to assess flap vasculature
 - General Surgery – laparoscopic cholecystectomy to highlight GB vasculature
 - Ophthalmic angiography
 - Requires Near Infra-Red technology
- Does not change colour of tissue to the naked eye

Injection Technique

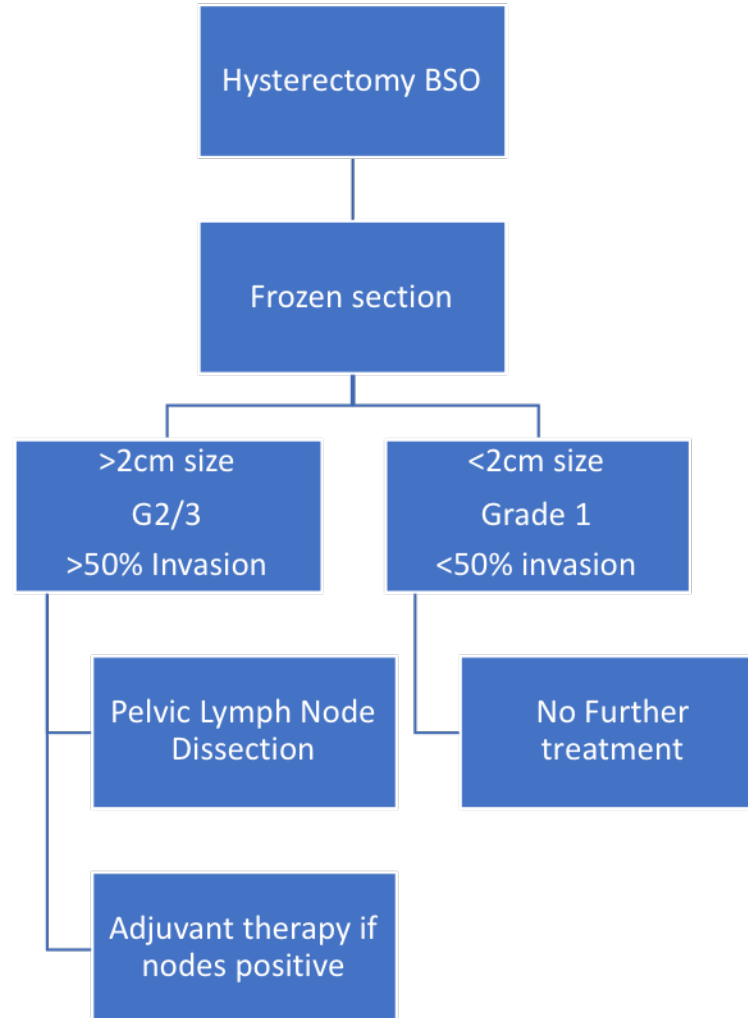
- ICG diluted to 1mg/ml
- 4mls used per patient
- Inject at 3 and 9 o'clock
- 1ml deep and 1ml superficial
- Inject prior to prep and drape

Pathology Technique

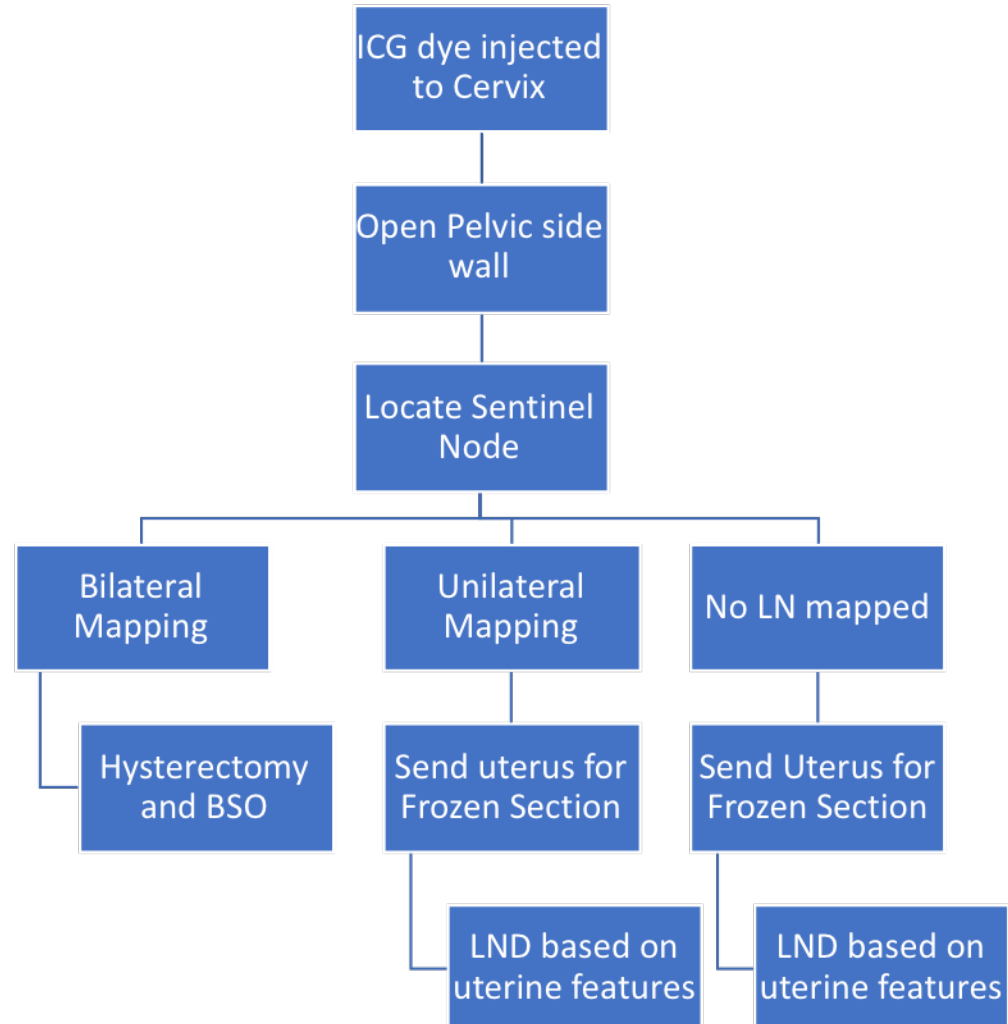
- Ultra staging of node
- Immunohistochemistry
- Establishment of protocol



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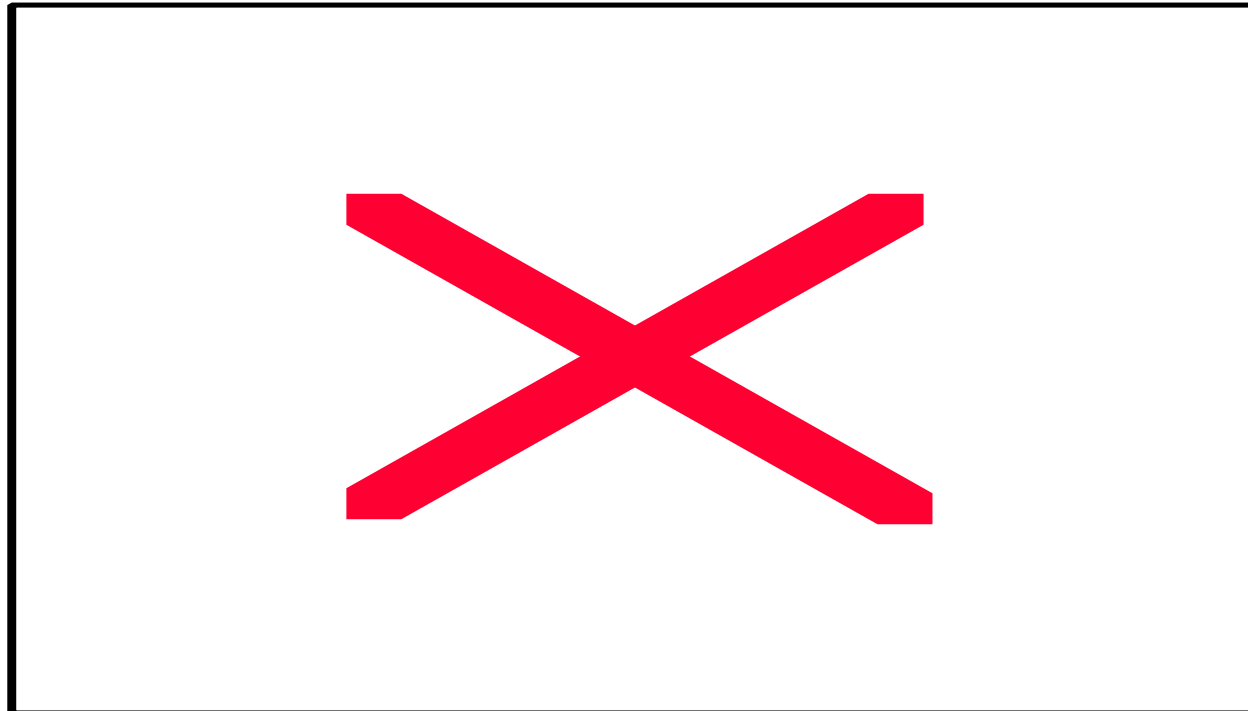


EAC – SURGICAL TREATMENT

- NTFEP grant received – purchase equipment and ICG dye for 2 years
- Commenced February 2018
- Endometrial cancer cases at RBWH = 51
- Surgical Treatment = 38
- SLN performed = 22
- Bilaterality = 17
- Failed mapping = 2
- Positive SLN = 1

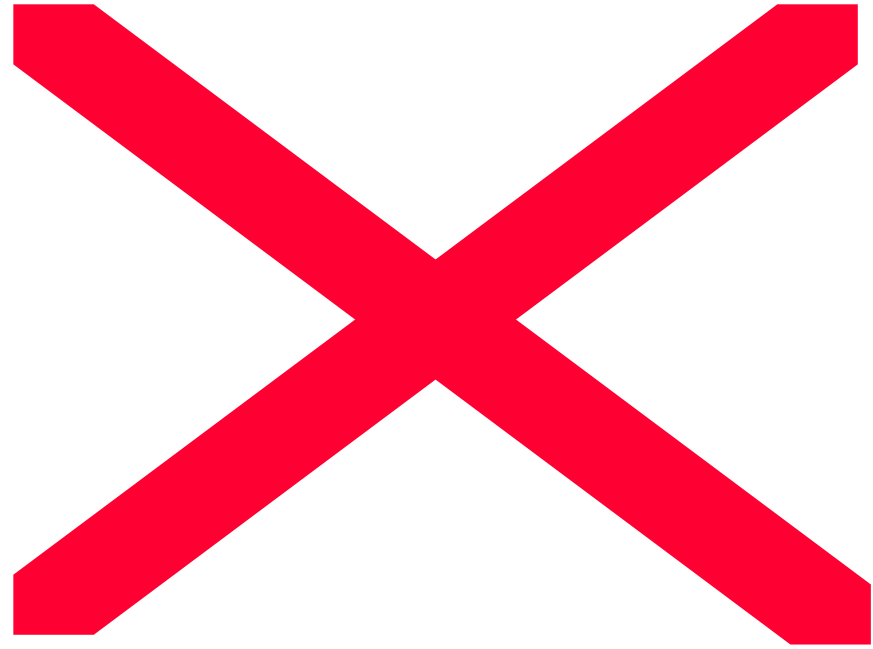
CERVICAL CANCER

- 1.4% lifetime risk
- 930 women expected to be diagnosed with Cervical Cancer this year
- Cancer rate halved since introduction of National Cervical Screening



SCREENING

- December 2017, invited to screen, commence age 25, cease age 74
- Primary HPV screening
- Re-screen in 5 years if HPV negative
- Reflex LBC if HPV positive
- HPV 16/18 positive, any result LBC – refer for colposcopy
- HPV other positive
 - LBC normal, pLSIL, LSIL – repeat 12/12
 - LBC pHSIL, HSIL, positive at 12/12 – refer for colposcopy
- ***https://wiki.cancer.org.au/australia/Guidelines:Cervical_cancer/Screening***

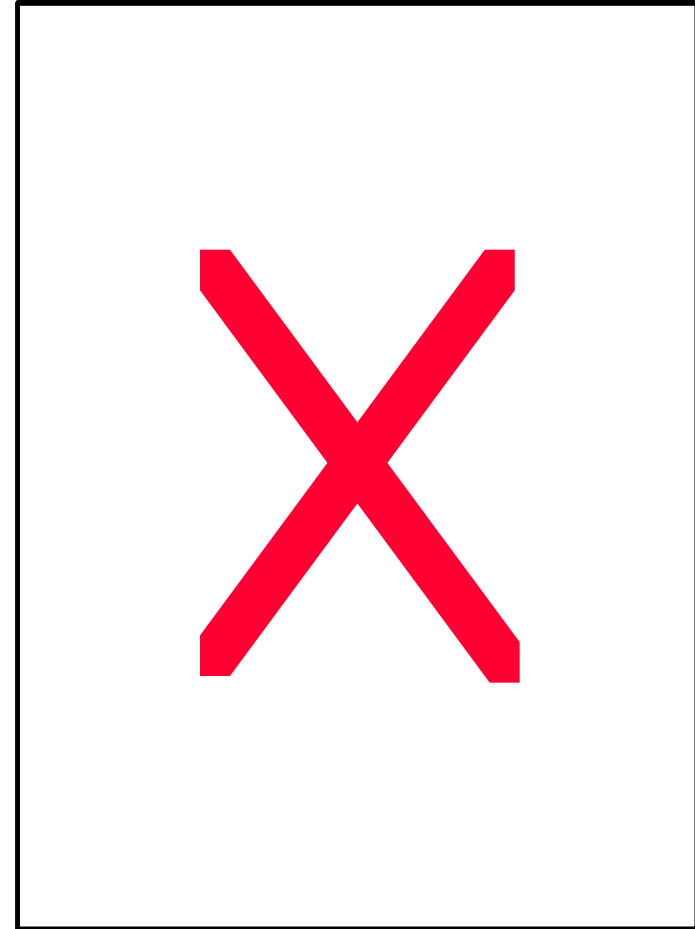


LACC TRIAL

- Other trials in endometrial, colorectal, gastric cancers have shown better surgical outcomes with equivalent survival rates
- LACE trial reproduced for cervical cancer – LACC trial
- International, multi-centre, RCT of Stage IA2 – IB1 cancers
- Randomised to open or minimally invasive procedure (robot or TLH)
- Planned to recruit 740 cases
- Trial stopped early due to safety concerns after recruiting 636 cases
- Presented at SGO meeting New Orleans March 2018

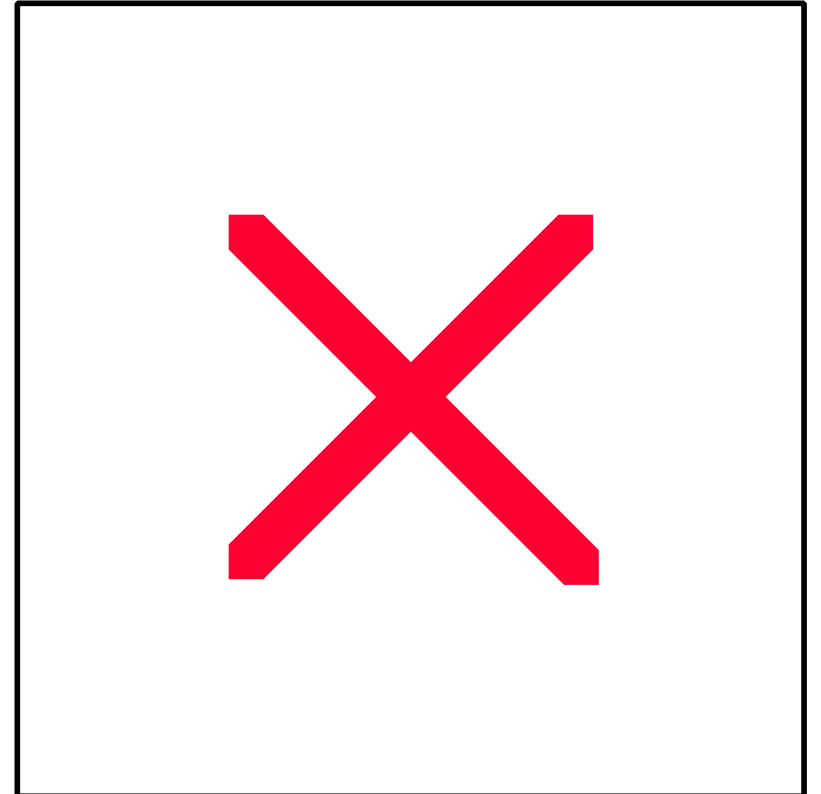
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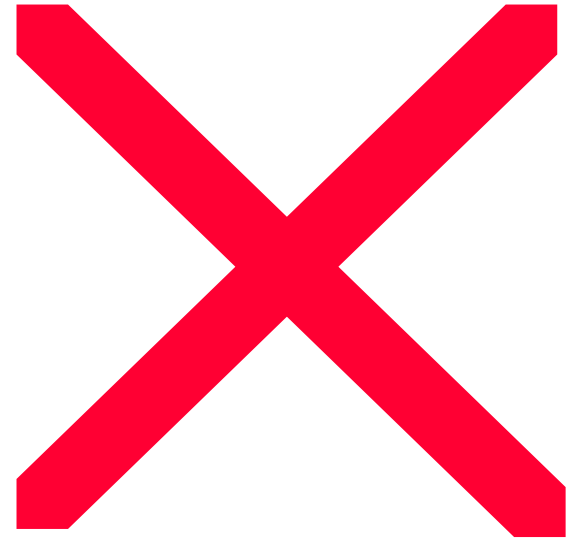
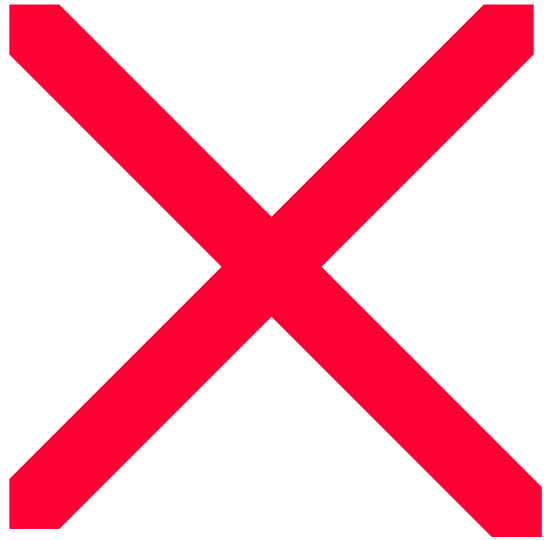
- 636 patients recruited
- **Recurrence**
 - 27 in MI arm vs 7 in Open arm
 - 19 loco-regional recurrences
 - HR of DFS 3.74
- **Death**
 - 19 in MI arm vs 3 in Open arm



NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE

- Surveillance, Epidemiology and End Results (SEER) data
- Retrospective review of MIS vs open
- MIS use increased from 2006
- Mortality increased with increasing MIS use





CRITICISMS

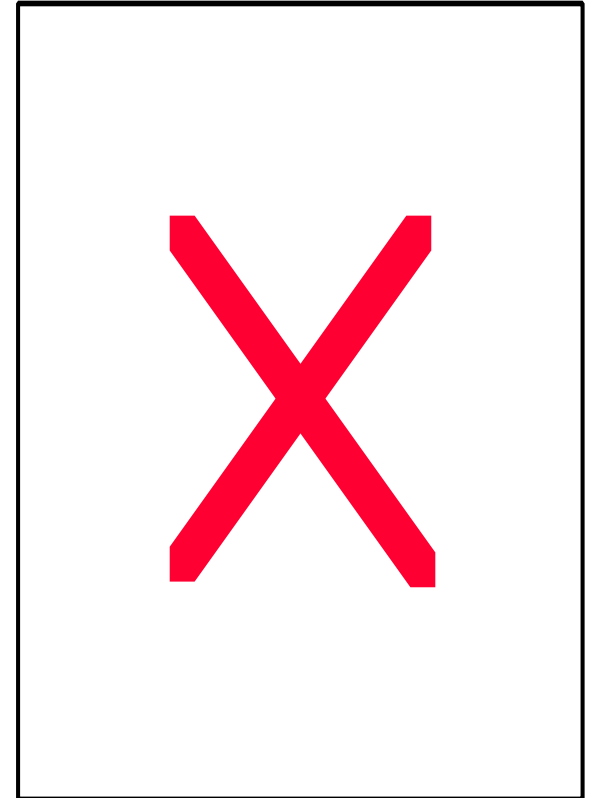
- Not long enough follow up
- Only 40% complete data presented (tumour size, histology)
- Survival rate “too high” – recurrence rate reported as 2.2% for open arm, compared with 10% in previous studies
- Experience of surgeon – learning curve associated with procedure should be 30-40 cases, but only needed to be 10 cases for LACC
- Extent of parametrial excision smaller for MIS
- Use of manipulator - ? affects tumour spill/seeding
- ***Need to discuss with patient and agree on mode of entry***

OVARIAN CANCER

- 1.5% lifetime risk
- 1613 women expected to be diagnosed with Ovarian Cancer this year
- Surgery and Chemotherapy are the mainstays of treatment
- Diagnosed in advanced stage
- Recurrence risk 62%
- 5YS 40-60%

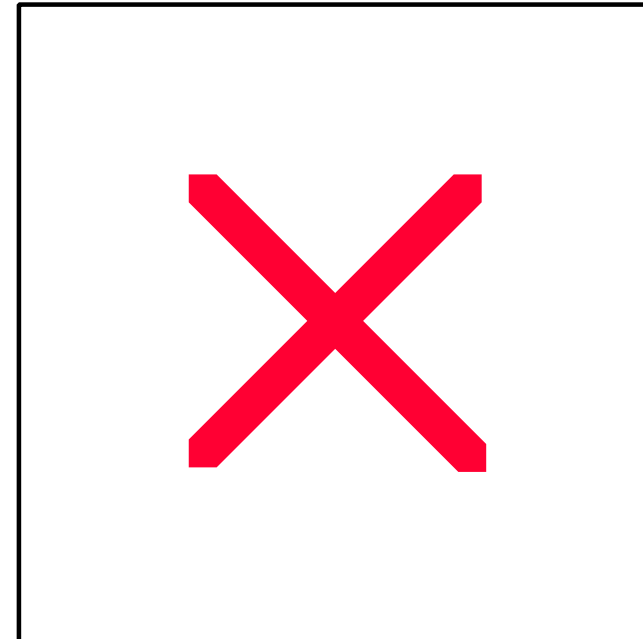
IMAGE TRIAL

- Suspected ovarian, tubal or peritoneal cancer
- Gated PET/CT
 - Aims to reduce (motion) artefact to improve scan quality
- Assess for extent and location disease
- Scan may identify unusual sites of disease
 - Internal mammary glands, cardio-phrenic nodes
- Will this change management?
 - Neo-adjuvant chemotherapy
 - Primary surgical cyto-reduction



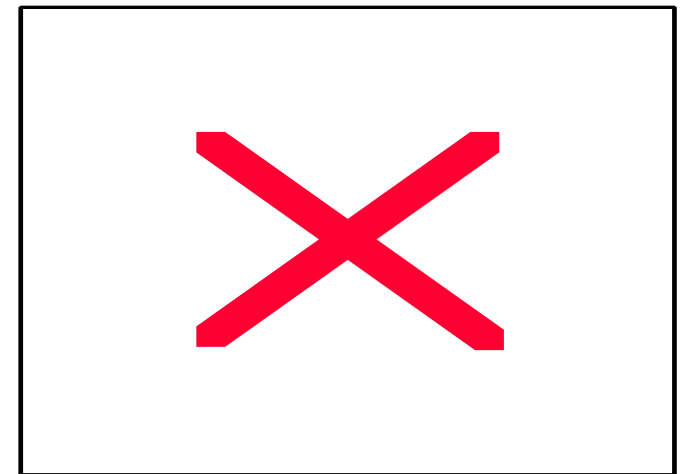
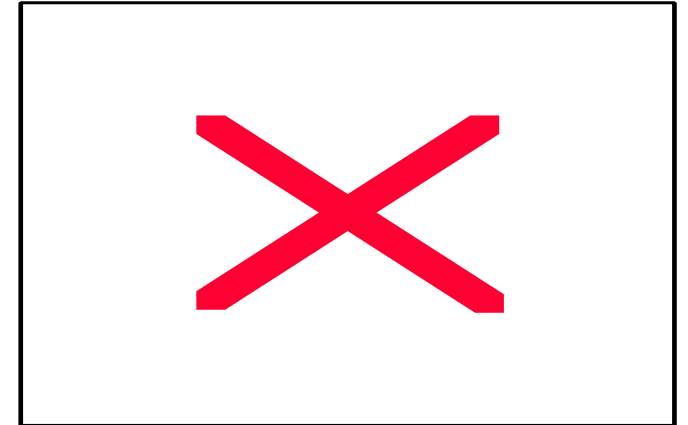
ECHO TRIAL

- Breast cancer studies show exercise during treatment improves survival
- Physiological and Psychological benefits
- Lessen treatment related side effects, improved QoL
- Can this be extrapolated to ovarian cancer?
- RCT of “exercise” vs “routine” activity during chemo
- Exercise physiologist develops a manageable program



VULVAL CANCER

- Least common gynaecologic malignancy
- 300 cases per year in QLD
- ***Vulva***
 - Radical Wide Local Excision (WLE)
- ***Groins***
 - Sentinel Node
 - Full lymphadenectomy
- ***Repair***
 - Primary closure
 - Flap repair

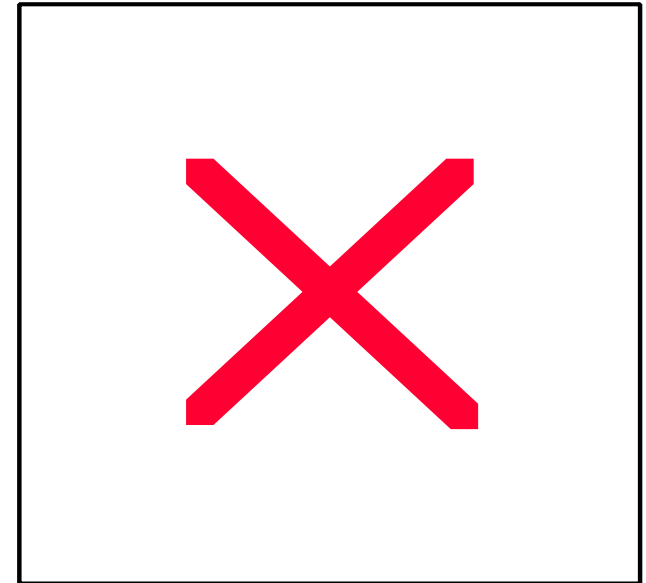


ABNORMAL BLEEDING

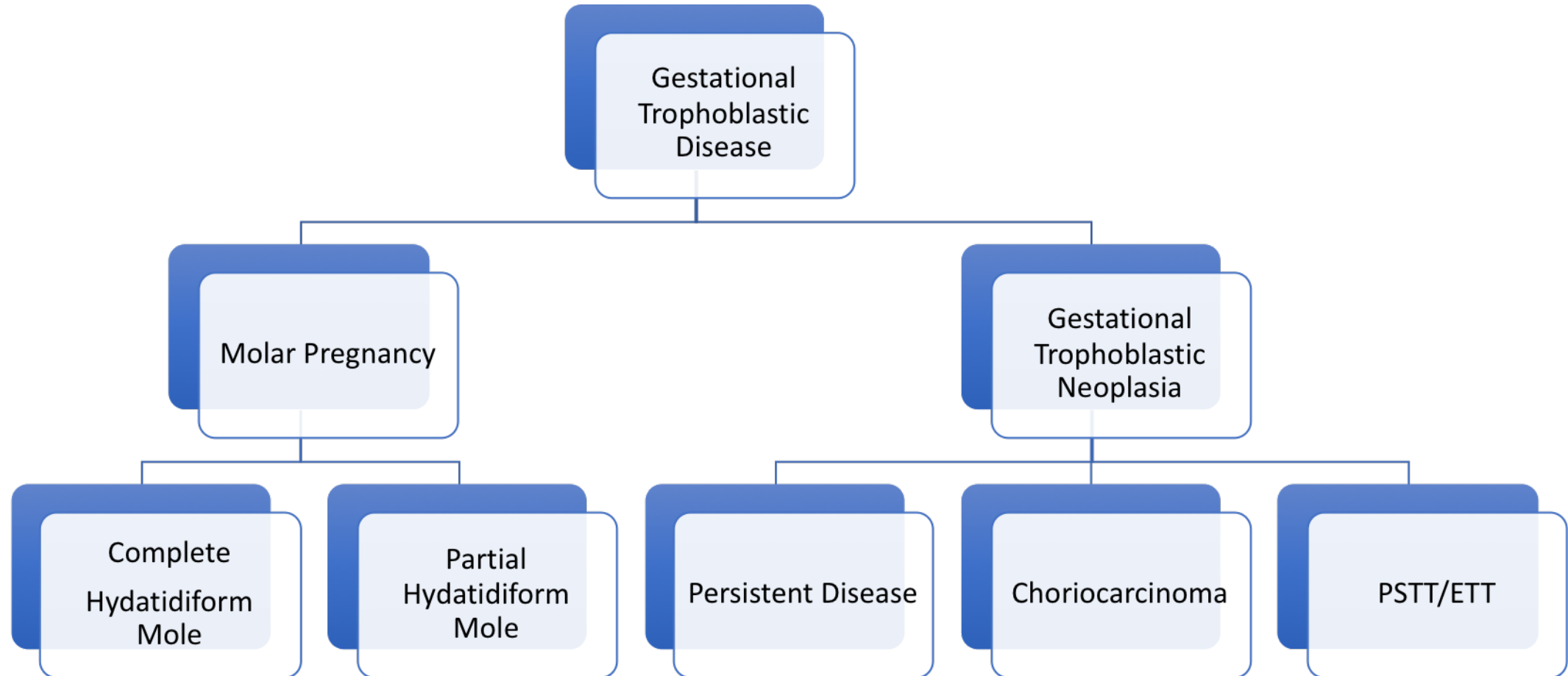
- Menorrhagia
- Metrorrhagia (irregular or prolonged) menses
- Intermenstrual Bleeding (IMB)
- Post Coital Bleeding (PCB)
- Post Menopausal Bleeding (PMB)
- Post Partum Bleeding
 - Endometritis
 - Retained products
 - **Gestational Trophoblastic Disease**
 - **Perform Bhcg in women of reproductive age with persistent abnormal bleeding**

GESTATIONAL TROPHOBLASTIC DISEASE

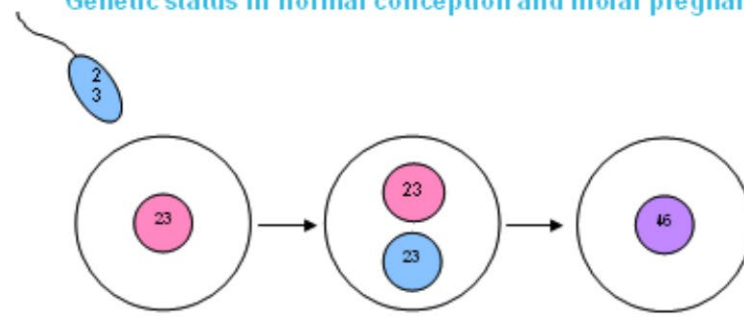
- Occurs 1:1500 pregnancies
- Approximately 180 cases per year in QLD
- QLD Trophoblast Centre
 - Statewide service
 - Housed at RBWH
 - ~ 60% of all cases GTD in the state
 - Uniform management of GTD
 - Provide expert opinion (interstate, overseas)



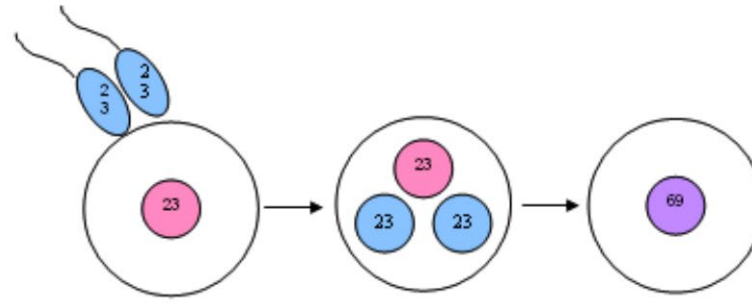
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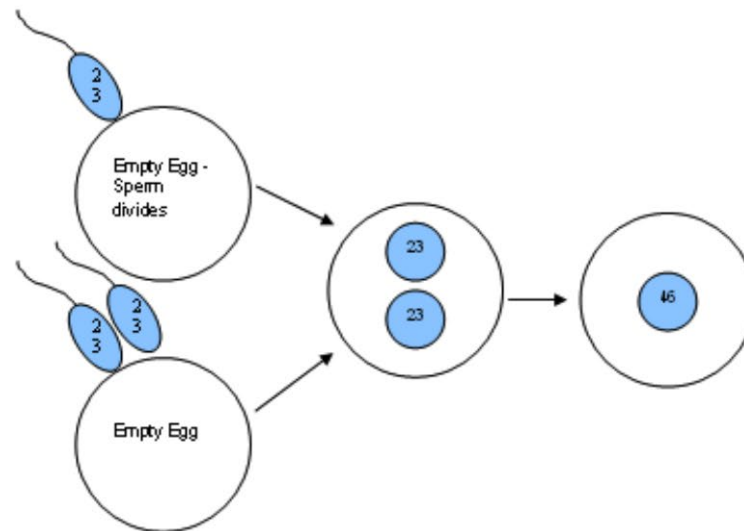
Genetic status in normal conception and molar pregnancy.



Normal Conception, viable fetus - 2 sets of genes - 1 maternal & 1 paternal



Partial Mole, non-viable fetus - 3 sets of genes - 1 maternal & 2 paternal



Complete Mole, no fetus - 2 sets of genes - 0 maternal & 2 paternal

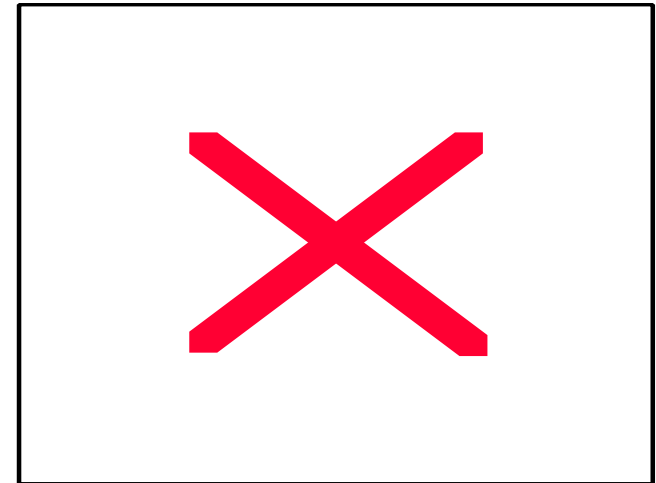
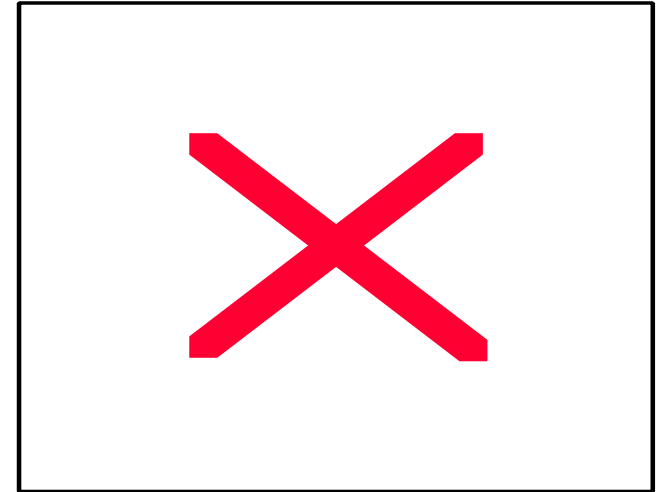
DIAGNOSIS

- ***Complete Mole***

- No foetal pole
- Abundant placental tissue
- Snowstorm appearance
- Cystic spaces
- Theca lutein ovarian cysts
- Hyperemesis

- ***Partial Mole***

- Usually presents as miscarriage
- Diagnosed after D&C - triploid



MANAGEMENT

- Suction D&C performed
 - Under USS guidance
 - Check TFT prior
- **Monitor Bhcg weekly until negative**
 - PHM – stop testing once gets to negative
 - CHM – monthly testing for 6/12 once reaches negative
- Register with QTC at diagnosis – **CALL 3646 4401**

PERSISTENT DISEASE

- Bhcg rise of >10% over 2 weeks
 - Bhcg plateau/fall <10% over 3 weeks
 - Choriocarcinoma, PSTT, ETT – can occur after normal pregnancy
 - Persistent Bhcg after 6/12*
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- Assess for metastatic disease
 - Calculate WHO prognostic Score

WHO PROGNOSTIC SCORE

	0	1	2	4
Age	< 40	≥ 40		
Antecedent Pregnancy	Mole	Abortion	Term Gestation	
Time Interval (months)	< 4	4 - 6	7 - 12	> 12
Bhcg Level	10^3	10^3 - 10^4	10^4 - 10^5	$> 10^5$
Site of metastases	Lung	Spleen, kidney	GIT	Liver, brain
Size of metastases	< 3cm	3-4cm	≥ 5cm	
Number of metastases		1 -4	5 -8	> 8
Previous Failed Chemotherapy			Single drug	Multiple drugs

CHEMOTHERAPY

- **Low Risk Disease (≤ 6)**

- Methotrexate
- Actinomycin D
- Treat every 2 weeks until Bhcg negative
- Treat for additional 3 cycles after negative for consolidation
- Mild toxicity

- **High Risk Disease (≥ 7)**

- EMACO
- Day 1,2 and Day 8
- Treat every 2 weeks until Bhcg negative
- Treat for additional 3 cycles after negative for consolidation
- Toxicity increased

FUTURE PREGNANCY

- Risk of recurrence ~1%
- Delay pregnancy until monitoring complete
 - PHM – once negative
 - CHM – after 6/12
 - Chemo – after 12/12
- Early USS to confirm location and viability
- Routine antenatal care
- Bhcg 6/52 post partum
- **CALL QTC on 07 3646 4401**

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- Sentinel Nodes

- ***Cervical Cancer***

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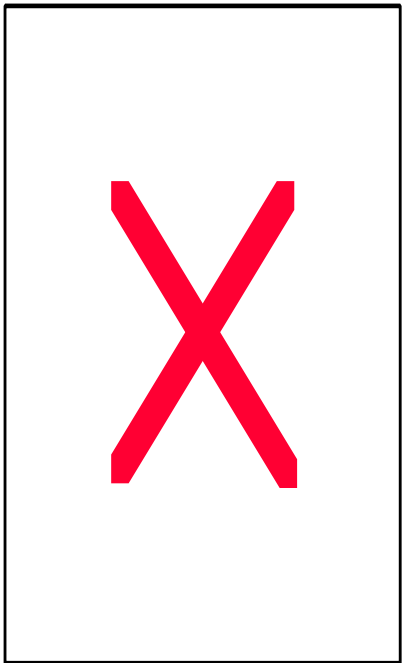
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- Abnormal bleeding warrants Bhcg



THANK YOU
?? QUESTIONS ??

